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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: )  
Applicant: Maurizio Lazzerini )  
Ser. No.: 10/583,742 ) Group Art Unit: 1794  
Filed: June 20, 2006 ) Examiner: NELSON, Michael B  
For: Security element for documents in )  
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Sir,

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136**

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated November 13 2008 for two months from December 13, 2008 to February 13, 2009. Please charge the deposit account number 13-3860 of applicant's agent of record, in the amount of US\$ 490.00 (fee code 2252) to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

**RESPONSE**

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2008.

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Response

In compliance with the requirement of the Examiner to elect a single disclosed and claimed species under 35 U.S.C. §121, and to list all claims readable thereon, Applicant hereby elects the species I. The claims directed to the elected embodiment are claims 25-54 and 58-66, drawn to a security element.

Anyway, the right is reserved to file a divisional applications for the non-elected embodiments, if necessary.

Prosecution on the merits is therefore respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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